

## Message Text

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UNCLAS MARCH 17 (PASS TO VOA) THE U.S. TRADE ACT HAS BEEN  
RUNNING INTO CRITICISM SINCE ITS IMPLEMENTATION BY PRESIDENT  
FORD IN 1975, EDITORIALIZED LEADING, MODERATE LA PRENSA GRAFICA.  
THIS CRITICISM, THE DAILY ADDED, HAS CURRENTLY BEEN RECEIVED AT  
THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA (CEPAL) MEETING HELD IN  
SANTO DOMINGO IN WHICH DELEGATES STATED THE ACT "WAS AN OBSTACLE  
TO INTER AMERICAN UNITY." CEPAL SAID THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR THE  
U.S. GOVERNMENT TO REVISE THE TRADE ACT TO INCLUDE SO-CALLED  
"SENSITIVE" PRODUCTS, SUCH AS SHOES AND TEXTILES, WITHIN THE  
GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES (GSP).

SPANISH EXCERPTS OF EDITORIAL FOLLOW:

"CRITICAS DE VARIADA INDOLE HA MEREcido LA LEY DE COMERCIO EXTE-  
RIOR DE ESTADOS UNIDOS...AHORA, LA COMISION ECONOMICA PARA LA  
AMERICA LATINA DE NUEVO PONE SOBRE EL TAPETE DE LA ACTUALIDAD  
(ESAS) CRITICAS. EN LA REUNIONSXE ATLO NIVEL QUE ESTA CELEBRANDO  
EN SANTO DOMINGO, LA COMISION ECONOMICA PARA LA AMERICA LATINA  
-CEPAL- HA HECHO DECLARACIONES EN LAS QUE ACUMULA LAS CRITICAS  
A LA LEY DE COMERCIO DE ESTADOS UNIDOS, AFIRMANDO QUE LA PRECITADA  
LEY 'CONSTITUYE UN OBSTACULO PARA LA CONVIVENCIA INTERAMERICANA.'  
"CONFORME LA CEPAL, LA LEY...CONTIENE DISPOSICIONES POR LAS  
CUALES QUEDAN EXCLUIDOS DEL SISTEMA DE PREFERENCIAS GENERALIZADAS  
ARANCELARIAS (PAG) ALGUNOS BIENES CONSIDERADOS 'SENSIBLES' Y  
CUYA EXCLUSION ES OBLIGATORIA PARA EL PRESIDENTE DE LOS ESTADOS  
UNIDOS. SENALAN QUE HAY UNAS 740 PARTIDAS DEL ARANCEL NORTEAMERI-  
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CANO, TALES COMO CALZADO, TEXTILES Y OTROS, A LOS QUE SE DEJA  
FUERA DEL SISTEMA PAG. TODO ESTO FUE SENALADO EN SU OPORTUNIDAD  
Y QUEDO FLOTANDO EN EL AMBIENTE, PESE A LA INTENSA CAMPANA  
PUBLICITARIA SOSTENIDA POR EL PODER EJECUTIVO NORTEAMERICANO,  
EN LA QUE SE DECIA QUE NO SOLO NO AFECTARIA NEGATIVAMENTE  
A LATINOAMERICA LA PROMULGACION DE LA LEY DE COMERCIO, SINO  
QUE POR EL CONTRARIO LE SERIA PROVECHOSA.

AHORA, 23 PAISES REUNIDOS EN LA CONFERENCIA DE LA CEPAL  
EN SANTO DOMINGO, SIGUEN SOSTENIENDO QUE HAY NECESIDAD DE QUE  
EL GOBIERNO NORTEAMERICANO REVISE SU LEY DE COMERCIO."  
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